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*With this issue, the Journal of the Arnold Arboretum becomes the responsibility of a new editor. It is with a deep sense of gratitude that I speak for the editorial board, the staff of the Arnold Arboretum and other contributors to these pages to express to DR. CLARENCE E. KOBUSKI our appreciation for a job well done.*

*After many years of careful attention to the time-consuming problems which beset an editor, Dr. Kobuski has asked to be relieved of this responsibility in order to devote more of his time to the herbarium and to his own research program. Dr. Kobuski ("K" to authors who have published in the Journal) has taken an active part in the publication of the Journal of the Arnold Arboretum for the past twenty-six years, except during the period of his war duty, and has served as Editor since 1949. His own high standards have been reflected in those of the Journal and provide a challenge for future editors.*

*Richard A. Howard  
Director*